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Claims searched: 1-4

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Patents Act 1977: Search Report under Section 17

Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance
X,E	1-4	GB 2410518 A (Watson) Whole document, noting page 17, lines 8-20
X,E	1-4	GB 2391886 A (Simpson) Whole document
X,P	1-4	WO 02/073000 A1 (Lohbeck) Whole document
X	1 at least	SU 1745873 A1 (Petrov) Whole document

Categories:

X	Document indicating lack of novelty or inventive step	A	Document indicating technological background and/or state of the art.
Y	Document indicating lack of inventive step if combined with one or more other documents of same category.	P	Document published on or after the declared priority date but before the filing date of this invention.
&	Member of the same patent family	E	Patent document published on or after, but with priority date earlier than, the filing date of this application.

Field of Search:

Search of GB, EP, WO & US patent documents classified in the following areas of the UKC^X:

E1F

Worldwide search of patent documents classified in the following areas of the IPC⁰⁷

E21B

The following online and other databases have been used in the preparation of this search report

EPODOC, WPI



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Combined Search and Examination Report under Sections 17 & 18(3)

Allowance of the divisional date

1. Your request that this application be treated as having been filed on 19 February 2003, which is the same date of filing as your earlier application number GB0422419.2, has been allowed.

Novelty

2. The invention as defined in claims 1-4 is not new because it has already been disclosed in each of the following documents:

GB 2410518 A	(Watson)*
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No amendment of your claims will be needed in respect of the documents marked * if you can show that the priority date of your invention is not later than the priority date of the relevant disclosure in that document.

3. Document '518 would seem to disclose all of the features claimed in your application, see, for example, page 17, lines 8-20. The other three documents show expansion devices which allow the interior of the tubular to be pressurised to assist with mechanical expansion.

Claim conflict

4. The second set of claims 1-32 conflicts with those in your other two divisionals GB 0516429.8 and GB 0516430.6.

Consistency and clarity

5. The statements of invention on pages 2-5 and 17-26 need to be brought into agreement with the claims.



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Non-metric units

6. The equivalent metric values should be given alongside the non-metric values mentioned on page 17 of your specification.

Publication

7. Your application is being published concurrently.